

CLAIM

1. In a wireless communication system supporting a broadcast service, a
2 method comprising:
transmitting a broadcast session on a broadcast transmission channel;
4 and
transmitting broadcast overhead information with the broadcast session
6 on the broadcast transmission channel.
2. The method as in claim 1, wherein the broadcast overhead information is
2 a session description protocol message containing information for
processing the broadcast session, and wherein the session description
4 protocol message is interleaved with broadcast content of the broadcast
session.
3. A communication signal transmitted on a carrier wave, the signal
2 comprising:
a broadcast session portion; and
4 a session description protocol message (SDP message) interleaved with
the broadcast session portion, wherein the SDP provides
6 information for processing the broadcast session.
4. The communication signal as in claim 3, wherein the signal is transmitted
2 via a broadcast transmission channel.
5. In a wireless communication system supporting a broadcast service, a
2 method comprising:
receiving a session description protocol (SDP) message corresponding
4 to the broadcast session on the broadcast channel;
accessing a broadcast session on a broadcast channel; and
6 processing the broadcast session using the SDP message.

6. The method as in claim 5, wherein the SDP message is interleaved with
2 broadcast content of the broadcast session.
7. A wireless apparatus, comprising:
2 means for receiving a broadcast service parameter message
corresponding to a broadcast session;
4 means for receiving an SDP corresponding to the broadcast session; and
means for processing the broadcast session using the SDP.
8. The apparatus as in claim 7, further comprising:
2 means for receiving header compression information.
9. The apparatus as in claim 7, further comprising:
2 memory storage adapted to store the SDP corresponding to a plurality of
broadcast sessions, wherein the SDP of each of the plurality of
4 broadcast sessions is updated when the corresponding broadcast
session is accessed.
10. The apparatus as in claim 9, wherein the memory storage is a cache
2 memory.
11. The apparatus as in claim 9, wherein the memory storage is a look up
2 table.
12. A method for indicating broadcast session protocol, comprising:
2 multiplexing an information identifying a broadcast session protocol with
a content of the broadcast session to provide a broadcast stream;
4 and
transmitting the broadcast stream on a broadcast transmission channel.
13. The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein said multiplexing a
2 broadcast session protocol with a content of the broadcast session
comprises:

4 multiplexing a broadcast session protocol with a content of the broadcast
 session at the content server.

14. The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein said multiplexing an
2 information identifying a broadcast session protocol with a content of the
 broadcast session to provide a broadcast stream comprises:

4 multiplexing an information identifying a broadcast session protocol with
 a content of the broadcast session periodically.

15. The method as claimed in claim 14, wherein said multiplexing the
2 information identifying a broadcast session protocol with a content of the
 broadcast session periodically comprises:

4 multiplexing an information identifying a broadcast session protocol with
 a content of the broadcast session periodically with a frequency of
6 multiplexing a short-term encryption key.

16. The method as claimed in claim 12, said multiplexing an information
2 identifying a protocol description of a broadcast session with a content of
 the broadcast session to provide a broadcast stream comprises:

4 multiplexing a broadcast session description protocol with a content of
 the broadcast session to provide a broadcast stream in
6 accordance with a bandwidth condition.

17. The method as claimed in claim 16, wherein said multiplexing a
2 broadcast session protocol with a content of the broadcast session to
 provide a broadcast stream comprises:

4 multiplexing a broadcast session protocol with a content of the broadcast
 session when the broadcast content bandwidth is low.

18. The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein said multiplexing a
2 broadcast session protocol with a content of the broadcast session to
 provide a broadcast stream comprises:

4 multiplexing a broadcast session description identifier with a content of
 the broadcast session to provide a broadcast stream.

19. A method indicating broadcast session protocol, comprising:
- 2 receiving a broadcast stream;
- determining an information identifying a broadcast session protocol in
- 4 accordance with said received broadcast stream; and
- 6 processing the broadcast stream in accordance with said determined information if a receiving station contains the broadcast session protocol.
20. The method as claimed in claim 19, wherein said processing the
- 2 broadcast stream in accordance with said determined information if a receiving station contains the broadcast session protocol comprises:
- 4 retrieving the broadcast session protocol from a storage media at the receiving station; and
- 6 processing the broadcast stream in accordance with said retrieved broadcast session protocol.
21. The method as claimed in claim 19, further comprising:
- 2 retrieving the broadcast session protocol from a content server if the receiving station does not contain the broadcast session protocol;
- 4 and
- 6 processing the broadcast stream in accordance with said retrieved broadcast session protocol.
22. The method as claimed in claim 19, wherein said determining an
- 2 information identifying a broadcast session protocol in accordance with said received broadcast stream comprises:
- 4 determining a broadcast session description identifier of a broadcast session in accordance with said received broadcast stream.
23. A method for indicating broadcast session protocol, comprising:
- 2 multiplexing an information identifying a broadcast session protocol with a content of the broadcast session to provide a broadcast stream;
- 4 and

providing the broadcast stream for transmission.

24. The method as claimed in claim 23, wherein said multiplexing a
2 broadcast session protocol with a content of the broadcast session
comprises:
4 multiplexing a broadcast session protocol with a content of the broadcast
session at a content server.

25. The method as claimed in claim 23, wherein said multiplexing an
2 information identifying a broadcast session protocol with a content of the
broadcast session to provide a broadcast stream comprises:
4 multiplexing an information identifying a broadcast session protocol with
a content of the broadcast session periodically.

26. The method as claimed in claim 25, wherein said multiplexing an
2 information identifying a broadcast session protocol with a content of the
broadcast session periodically comprises:
4 multiplexing an information identifying a broadcast session protocol with
a content of the broadcast session periodically with a frequency of
6 multiplexing a short-term encryption key.

27. The method as claimed in claim 23, said multiplexing an information
2 identifying a protocol description of a broadcast session with a content of
the broadcast session to provide a broadcast stream comprises:
4 multiplexing a broadcast session description protocol with a content of
the broadcast session to provide a broadcast stream in
6 accordance with a bandwidth condition.

28. The method as claimed in claim 27, wherein said multiplexing a
2 broadcast session protocol with a content of the broadcast session to
provide a broadcast stream comprises:
4 multiplexing a broadcast session protocol with a content of the broadcast
session when the broadcast content bandwidth is low.

29. The method as claimed in claim 23, wherein said multiplexing a
2 broadcast session protocol with a content of the broadcast session to
provide a broadcast stream comprises:
4 multiplexing a broadcast session description identifier with a content of
the broadcast session to provide a broadcast stream.
30. The method as claimed in claim 29, wherein multiplexing a broadcast
2 session description identifier with a content of the broadcast session to
provide a broadcast stream comprises:
4 forming an information element comprising the broadcast session
description identifier; and
6 multiplexing the information element with a content of the broadcast
session to provide a broadcast stream.
31. The method as claimed in claim 23, wherein said providing the broadcast
2 stream for transmission comprises:
assigning each unit of the broadcast stream a sequence number.
32. The method as claimed in claim 31, further comprising:
2 delivering each of the units through a media not guaranteeing in-
sequence delivery; and
4 re-ordering the delivered units in accordance with the sequence
numbers.
33. The method as claimed in claim 23, wherein said providing the broadcast
2 stream for transmission comprises:
establishing a generic routing encapsulation tunnel through a media not
4 guaranteeing in-sequence delivery.
34. A method for indicating a broadcast session protocol, comprising:
2 receiving a broadcast stream;
determining an information element in accordance with said received
4 broadcast stream; and

6 processing the broadcast stream in accordance with said determined
information element.

2 35. The method as claimed in claim 34, wherein said determining the
information element comprises determining a broadcast session protocol,
4 and wherein said processing the broadcast stream in accordance with
said determined information element comprises processing the broadcast
stream in accordance with the broadcast session protocol.

2 36. The method as claimed in claim 34, wherein said determining the
information element comprises determining a broadcast session
4 description identifier, and wherein said processing the broadcast stream
in accordance with said determined information element comprises:
6 processing the broadcast stream in accordance with a broadcast session
protocol corresponding to the broadcast session description
identifier.

2 37. The method as claimed in claim 36, wherein said processing the
broadcast stream in accordance with a broadcast session protocol further
4 comprises:
requesting the broadcast session protocol from a content server if a
receiving station does not contain the broadcast session protocol.

2 38. The method as claimed in claim 37, further comprising:
retrieving the broadcast session protocol from a storage media at the
4 receiving station if the receiving station contains the broadcast
session protocol.

2 39. A method for indicating broadcast session protocol, comprising:
multiplexing an information allowing a broadcast session
4 processing with a content of a broadcast session to produce a broadcast
stream;
and

6 transmitting the broadcast stream on a broadcast transmission
channel.

40. The method as claimed in claim 39, wherein said multiplexing an
2 information allowing a broadcast session processing with a content of a
broadcast session to produce a broadcast stream comprises:

4 multiplexing a broadcast session protocol with a content of a
broadcast session before the broadcast session protocol change; and

6 multiplexing information identifying a broadcast session protocol
with a content of the broadcast session after the broadcast session
8 protocol change.

41. The method as claimed in claim 39, wherein said multiplexing an
2 information allowing a broadcast session processing with a content of a
broadcast session to produce a broadcast stream comprises:

4 multiplexing an information allowing a broadcast session
processing with a content of a broadcast session to produce a broadcast
6 stream at the content server.

42. The method as claimed in claim 39, wherein said multiplexing an
2 information allowing a broadcast session processing with a content of a
broadcast session to produce a broadcast stream comprises:

4 multiplexing an information allowing a broadcast session
processing with a content of a broadcast session periodically.

43. The method as claimed in claim 42, wherein said multiplexing an
2 information allowing a broadcast session processing with a content of a
broadcast session periodically comprises:

4 multiplexing an information allowing a broadcast session
processing with a content of a broadcast session with a frequency of
6 multiplexing a short-term encryption key.

2 44. The method as claimed in claim 39, wherein said multiplexing an
information allowing a broadcast session processing with a content of a
broadcast session to produce a broadcast stream comprises:

4 multiplexing an information allowing a broadcast session
processing with a content of a broadcast session in accordance with
6 bandwidth condition.

2 45. The method as claimed in claim 44, wherein said multiplexing an
information allowing a broadcast session processing with a content of a
broadcast session in accordance with bandwidth condition comprises:

4 multiplexing an information allowing a broadcast session
processing with a content of a broadcast session when the broadcast
6 content bandwidth is low.

2 46. The method as claimed in claim 39, wherein said multiplexing an
information allowing a broadcast session processing with a content of a
broadcast session to produce a broadcast stream comprises:

4 multiplexing a broadcast session description identifier with a
content of the broadcast session.

2 47. A method indicating broadcast protocol options, comprising:

receiving a broadcast stream;

4 determining an information allowing a broadcast session
processing in accordance with said received broadcast stream; and

6 processing the broadcast stream in accordance with said
determined information.

2 48. The method as claimed in claim 47, wherein said processing the
broadcast stream in accordance with said determined information
comprises:

4 processing the broadcast stream in accordance with said
determined information if said determined information comprises the
6 broadcast session protocol.

49. The method as claimed in claim 47, wherein said processing the
broadcast stream in accordance with said determined information
comprises:

processing the broadcast stream in accordance with said
determined information if said determined information comprises the
broadcast session description identifier and a receiving station contains
the broadcast session protocol.

50. The method as claimed in claim 49, wherein said processing the
broadcast session in accordance with said determined information if a
receiving station contains the broadcast session protocol comprises:

retrieving the broadcast session protocol from a storage media at
the receiving station; and

processing the broadcast session in accordance with said
retrieved broadcast session protocol.

51. The method as claimed in claim 49, further comprising:

retrieving the broadcast session protocol from a content server if
said determined information comprises the broadcast session description
identifier and the receiving station does not contain the broadcast
session protocol; and

processing the broadcast session in accordance with said
retrieved information.